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| FOR TREATING SKIN VASCULAR  | ) |                        |
| TISSUE AND COMBATING SKIN   | ) |                        |
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please first amend the above-identified  
application as follows: